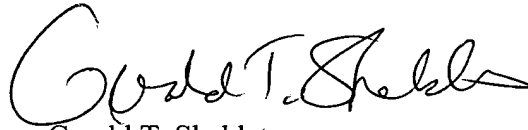


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Please correct FIG. 1 as shown in the attached corrected FIG.1 marked in red.

Respectfully submitted,  
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Comment

In the originally filed Fig. 1, a leader line of the quartz crucible 3 is drawn from a surface of melt. However, the leader line of the quartz crucible 3 should be drawn from the correct portion of the crucible 3.

